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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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SOURCE

Kagram. (P 49/X 49)

1. An SP gun was observed being refueled on 1 June 1950. It had a T-34 chassis, and a gun without a muzzle brake which was mounted on the body of the vehicle below the height of an average man and somewhat to the right of center. It also had a small cylindric commander's turret on right side of superstructure, and its bow and stern were not rounded off but straight. It had an antenna mounted forward beside the commander's turret, engine to the rear, two cylindric reserve fuel tanks, and welded armor plating. *
2. Light AA guns were observed to have a high, angular shield with two deep, angular openings to the left and right, which had folding or sliding covers. AA guns of a heavier type had a cylindric muzzle brake, a cylinder above the barrel and an angular cradle below it and a folding grate-like device on the base plate. *

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Stockerau. (O 49/S 21)

4. The Jaeger Kaserne and the Artillerie Kaserne were still occupied only by guard details on 30 May 1950. The Prinz Eugen Kaserne was also still occupied. Eight AA guns seen there were of the same type as those observed in Kagram.

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Korneuburg (P 49/S 30)

5. Source believed that there were fewer troops at the post on 30 May 1950 than on previous occasions. There were few vehicles in the garages opposite the building on Hovengasse which is possibly a headquarters. Heavy AA guns, of the same type as those observed in Kagran, were seen in the cantonment on the road to Bisamberg (P 49/S 30). **

Neusiedl Am See. (P 48/X 76)

25X1C 6. [redacted] soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, passed through town on 2 June 1950, coming from the direction of Gols (P 48/X 86) and heading toward Bruck on the Leitha River (P 49/X 77).

Coetzendorf. (P 49/X 57)

7. The Fasanengarten Kaserne near the Mannersdorf (P 48/X 66) - Goetzendorf road was occupied by troops on 2 June 1950. Three tanks, probably T-34's, about 15 trucks, and troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed there.

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[redacted] Comment. Source stated that SP gun seen was identical to one on a monument in Vienna. For picture of said SP gun, in Vienna, see Annex. The information indicates that troops in Kagran were still at the post at the beginning of June 1950. They belong to the 13th Gds Mecz Div.

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[redacted] Same source also observed tank units of the 106th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt/13th Gds Mecz Div in Kagran on 26 May 1950. See [redacted] The descriptions of the weapons observed check with the SU-100 SP gun, the 37-mm AA gun and the 85-mm AA gun.

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[redacted] Comment. The observations in Stockerau and Korneuburg are consistent with previous information by the same source. See [redacted] Available reports indicate that some of the AA units from these posts went to the "petlon" troop training grounds in early May 1950 while other units were still at the post by 30 May 1950. The units belong to the GIC AA units of the Central Group of Forces, possibly the 23rd AAA Div or Regt.

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[redacted] Comment. This and previous information by the same source show that only part of the units of the 13th Gds Mecz Div in Coetzendorf left for the troop training grounds. See [redacted]

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1 Annex: Photograph.

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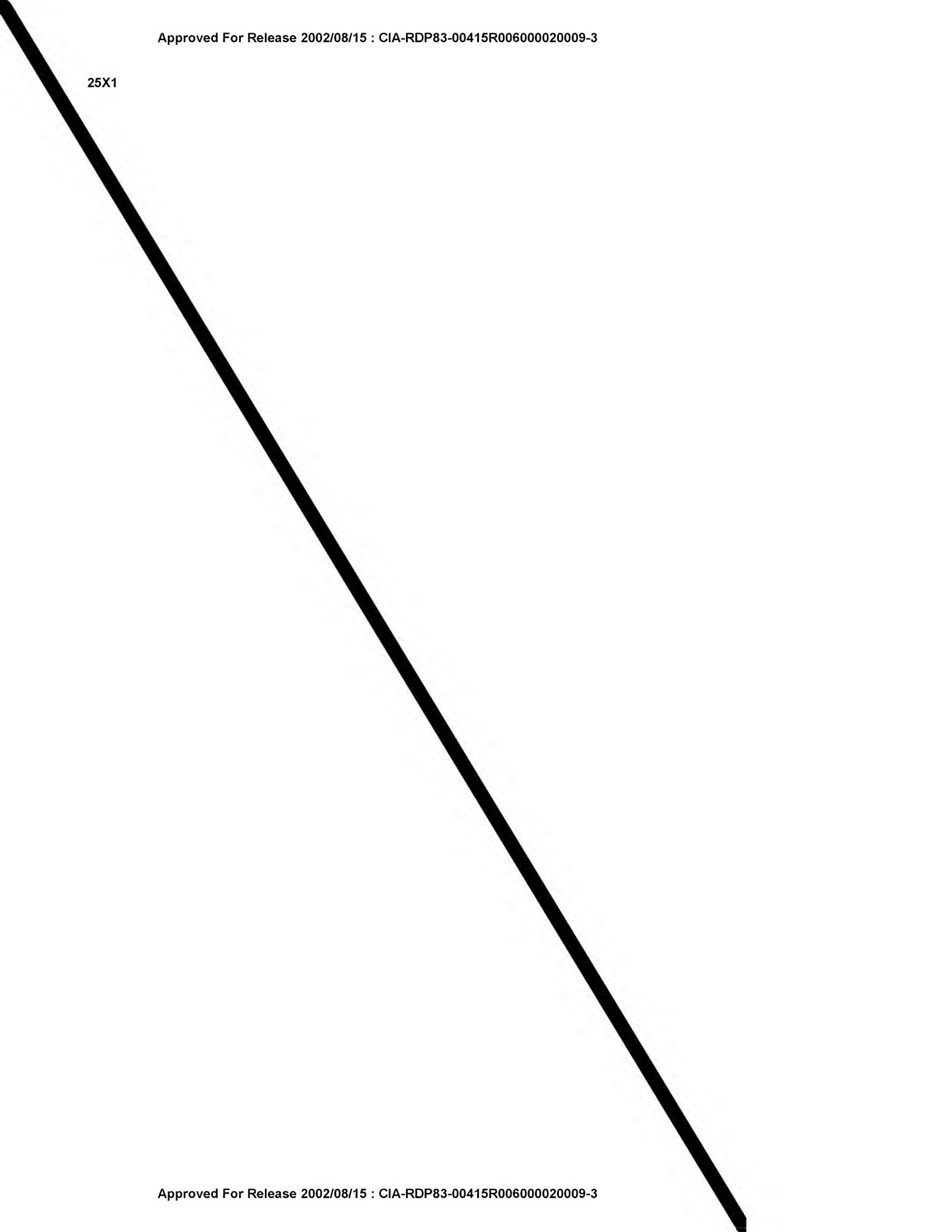
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SP GUN. T-34 CHASSIS, GUN WITHOUT MUZZLE BRAKE MOUNTED ON
BODY TO RIGHT OF CENTER. TYPE USED BY SOVIET TROOPS IN
KAGRAN.

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